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DETECTION AND PREVENTION OF DIABETES
MELLITUS AND AS TOOLS TO AID IN THE

SELECTION OF AGENTS TO BE USED FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DIABETES

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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed July 26, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this amendment.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this amendment.